



SALEM FIRE-EMS NEWS RELEASE

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STRUCTURE FIRE AT 606 FRONT AVENUE

The Salem Fire & EMS Department responded to a structure fire this morning at approximately 12:25 a.m. The first units arrived on the scene within five minutes of receiving the call and found one person outside of the building with burns on the upper portion of his body. That man was taken to Carilion Roanoke Memorial with burn injuries to his head and chest.

Once inside the structure, firefighters found a fire in the kitchen of the apartment. The fire was brought under control within eight minutes of the arrival of the first engine and damage from the fire was limited to the kitchen area.

Approximately 20 personnel from the Salem Fire & EMS Department (Engine 1, Engine 2, Engine 3, Medic 801 & Medic 803), the Salem Rescue Squad (Squad 1) and Roanoke Fire & EMS Department (Ladder 5) responded to the call.

The Salem Fire & EMS Fire Marshal's Office has determined that the fire was caused by unattended cooking and damage to the apartment is estimated at \$5,000.

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